THURSDAY, 29TH MARCH 2012

09:15 Opening Remarks  
Mr Kassym-Jomart Tokayev, Director-General of UNOG; Secretary-General of the Conference on Disarmament and Personal Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General to the Conference (delivered by Jarmo Sareva, Director, Office for Disarmament Affairs, Geneva Branch)

09:40 Introductions  
Theresa Hitchens, Director, United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research

Panel 1 – Looking towards the future of Space Security

09:45  Deputy Assistant Secretary Frank Rose, AVC, Department of State, USA

10:00  Victor Vasiliev, Deputy Permanent Representative, Russian Federation

10:15  Ambassador Wu Haitao, Permanent Representative to the CD, People’s Republic of China

10:30  Q & A

11:00  Coffee Break (supported by the Government of Canada)

Panel 2 – On-going International Space Security Processes


11:45  The Space Sustainability Working Group – Peter Martinez, Chairman, South African Council for Space Affairs

12:00  The ITU – The World Radio Conference and Space Security – Yvon Henri, Chief, Space Services Department, International Telecommunications Union

12:15  Q & A

12:30  Lunch
Panel 3 – Space Security: International Views

14:30  A US Perspective – Peter Marquez, Former Director of Space Policy, National Security Council, The White House, USA

14:45 An Indian Perspective – Rajeswari Rajagopalan, Senior Fellow, Observer Research Foundation (VTC)

15:00 A Russian Perspective – Vladimir Ermakov, Deputy-Director, Arms Control Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Russian Federation

15:15 Q & A

Panel 4 – Some Technical Challenges

16:00 Radio Frequency Interference – Pravir Chawdhry, Action Leader, Joint Research Centre, European Commission

16:15 Space Situational Awareness: The Foundations – Emmet Fletcher, Head, SSA-SST Segment, European Space Agency

16:30 Space Debris Mitigation – Muriel Richard, Deputy-Director, Swiss Space Center

16:45 Data-sharing – The Realities – John Sheldon, Professor, U.S. Air Force School of Advanced Air & Space Studies, Air University, Maxwell AFB

17:00 Q & A

17:15 Close

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09:15 Recap of Day 1

Panel 5 – Space Security Basics

09:45 The 2012 Diplomatic Context – Ambassador (retd) Paul Meyer, The Simons Foundation

10:00 Space Weapons – The Realities – Eva Bernhardsdotter, Researcher and Defence Analyst, Swedish Defence Research Agency


10:15 Q & A

10:45 Coffee break (supported by the Government of Canada)

Panel 6 – Stakeholder Panel – What We Want to See from TCBMs

11:15 An NGO Perspective – Beatrice Fihn, Project Associate, Reaching Critical Will

11:30 The UN User Perspective – Francesco Pisano, Manager, UNOSAT

11:45 The Operator’s Perspective – Aarti Holla-Maini, Secretary-General, ESOA

12:00 Q & A

12:45 Wrap-up – Ben Baseley-Walker, EST Programme Lead, United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research